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WEST JORDAN COURTHOUSE TO OPEN DOORS JUNE 20

The new West Jordan Courthouse is scheduled to open its doors for business at 8080 Redwood Road on Monday, June 20, 2005. The 123,100 sq. ft. courthouse will be the second largest courthouse in Utah—next to the Scott M. Matheson Courthouse—with a 12-courtroom configuration. The courthouse will administer cases from the south end of the Salt Lake valley and will expand operations to execute court functions that previously have not been available at the Sandy and West Valley City courthouses.

Since the ground breaking on the courthouse took place November 2003, work has been steady to build the \$21.3 million facility. The courthouse will include six Third District courtrooms—including two unfinished courtrooms—and six Third District juvenile courtrooms—one of which will be unfinished. In addition, alternative dispute resolution/mediation rooms will be located in the courthouse and are designed to minimize the formality of the courtroom setting. Offices for the District Attorney's office will also be located in the courthouse.

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“The West Jordan Courthouse will allow the public from the south end of the valley convenient access to court services,” said Dan Becker, Utah State Court administrator. “The West Jordan facility will offer all of the services available at the Matheson Courthouse, but not currently available at the Sandy or West Valley City courthouses.”

Employees of the Sandy and West Valley City courthouses will move into the West Jordan Courthouse during the week of June 13. The Sandy Courthouse will close for business on June 10 at 5:00 p.m. and the West Valley City Courthouse will remain open until fall 2005 when it will become a central location for Juvenile Probation Services. The West Jordan Courthouse District Court phone number is (801) 233-9700 and the Juvenile Court phone number is (801) 233-9600. Additional information is available on the Utah State Courts’ website at www.utcourts.gov.

GSBS Architects designed the West Jordan Courthouse. Okland Construction Company was the project contractor.

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